Physics of Plasmas Science Working Group

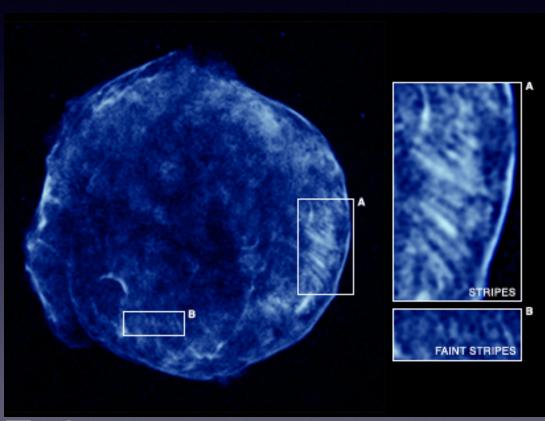
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Galaxy Clusters

- thermal conduction
- electron mfp scales
- waves & damping
- turbulence
- $T_e \neq T_p \neq T_{ion}$
- impacts use of clusters for cosmology

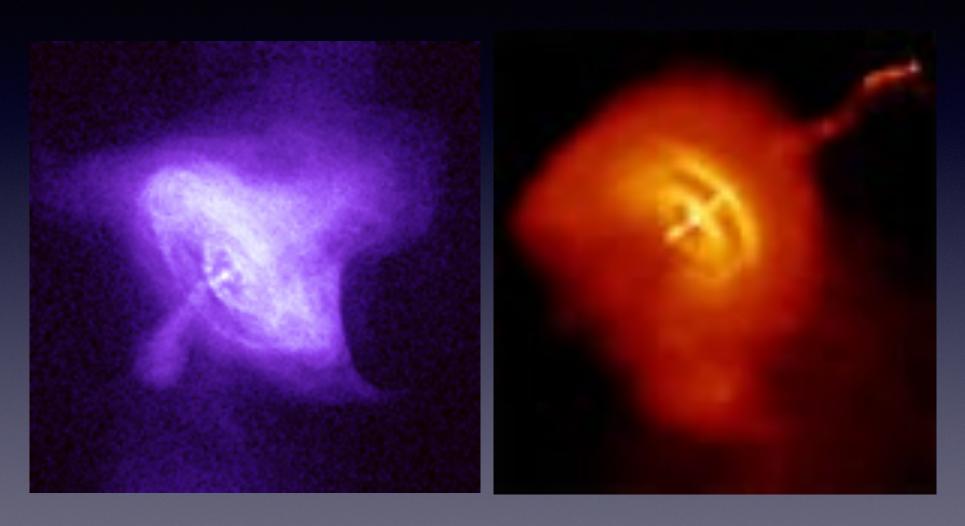
Supernova Remnants



- particle acceleration
- magnetic field amplification
- cosmic ray propagation
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Tycho

Pulsars



reconnection, shocks, supernova physics, ...

AGN Jets



particle acceleration, reconnection, instabilities, feedback, ...

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